**Title: PDF to Excel Converter**

**Tool Details:**

**Technology Stack:**

* **Frontend:** Web Components (Lit or Vanilla JS)
* **Backend:** Express.js (Node.js)
* **File Processing:** PDF to Excel conversion
* **Data Handling:** File uploads & API requests

**Goal:**  
By completing this assignment, candidates will:

* Learn how to build a **RESTful API** using **Express.js**.
* Implement **file handling and processing** in a backend service.
* Work with **Web Components** to create a modular frontend.
* Understand **client-server communication** via API calls.
* Gain experience integrating third-party packages for **file conversion**.

**Assignment Description:**

Develop a **PDF to Excel Converter** where users upload a PDF file via a **WebComponent-based form**. The backend, built with **Express.js**, will process the PDF file and convert it to an **Excel (.xlsx) file**. The processed file should be available for download.

**Tasks & Steps:**

**1. Backend API Development (Express.js):**

* Set up an **Express.js** server to handle file uploads.
* Use a suitable **Node.js package** to extract tables and text from PDFs and convert them into an **Excel file**.
* Implement API routes for **file processing** and **downloading** the converted document.

**2. Frontend (WebComponent-based UI):**

* Create a **form** using Web Components that allows users to **upload a PDF file**.
* Send the uploaded file to the backend using the **fetch API**.
* Display the **status of the conversion process** and provide a **download link** once the file is ready.

**3. Integration & Testing:**

* Ensure the frontend **properly sends data** to the backend.
* Handle errors gracefully (e.g., **invalid file formats, missing files**).
* Test **end-to-end functionality** to ensure seamless integration.

**Mathematical Calculation/Steps (if applicable):**

* No complex mathematical calculations, but **table structure extraction** logic must be implemented efficiently for proper formatting.

**Third-Party Packages (if required):**

* express (for backend server)
* multer (for handling file uploads)
* pdf-parse or pdf2table (for extracting tables from PDFs)
* xlsx (for generating Excel files)
* lit (for WebComponent development)

**Acceptance Criteria:**

* The **Express.js backend** should successfully process **uploaded PDFs** and return a **downloadable Excel file**.
* The **WebComponent-based frontend** should have a **responsive form** that allows users to upload files.
* Proper **error handling** should be in place for **invalid inputs**.
* The application should work seamlessly across **modern web browsers**.

**Submission Guidelines:**

1. **Fork** the provided GitHub repository.
2. **Create a folder** named pdf-to-excel-<your-name>.
3. **Implement the backend and frontend** in the respective subfolders.
4. **Push the code** to your forked repository.
5. **Submit a pull request** with a brief description of your implementation.

**Ensure that the backend correctly handles requests, processes the PDF file, and seamlessly integrates with the WebComponent-based frontend.**